THE SHAKERITE

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Class of '79 Report

The senior class is proud to announce its present savings account of $3800 (an increase of over $2000 dollars in only two months!) With support from many, including the sophomore and junior classes, faculty members, and the natural interest from the class of '79, the Senior Class Cabinet has been able to sponsor financially successful events. Dances and refreshments have been major fund raisers for the fiscal year.

The first dance of the school year was attended by a majority of students from the sophomore class, as expected. It was the Cabinet's hope that this affair would give the sophomores an opportunity to become better acquainted with fellow Shakerites in a relaxed social atmosphere. The band called "Tracks" provided the entertainment for the dance. Enjoying good friends ... good food ... quite a contrast from your lunch period, wouldn't you say?

After profiting $700 dollars from the first dance, the Cabinet was very pleased to note a profit of $2300 dollars from the Homecoming Dance. Everyone was stylishly dressed and full of good spirits that one couldn't help but to enjoy the evening. Dancing feet-to-feet under the pulsing disco lights turned out to be a most entertaining evening, to say the least, and over 500 students shared the experience.

By Charlote Ford

The senior class will be sponsoring the last dance of 1978 on December 16. But until then, the Cabinet will be selling refreshments at Shaker's home basketball games (like they have done in the past at the football games.) If the red tape gets cut, the Cabinet will be able to raise money by opening up the small auditorium to show movies on Friday nights. For a mere 75¢, you can see a drama, a comedy, a mystery, a suspense flick, or a couple of cartoons. In addition, Shaker spirit will be enhanced as the Class sells jewelry, key chains, and other gifts.

Many more fundraising projects will come up as the new year, 1979, rolls around. If you have any brilliant ideas on what the seniors could sell or a unique event that the Class of '79 could sponsor, please write a little note to:

The Cabinet
Mailbox
c/o Mr. Norris

We'd be delighted to hear from you.

Next Issue: Where is all of this money going to? If you already know the answer, then tune next time to find out how much money will be needed for wherever the money is going. Get it?

Homecoming Hits Home

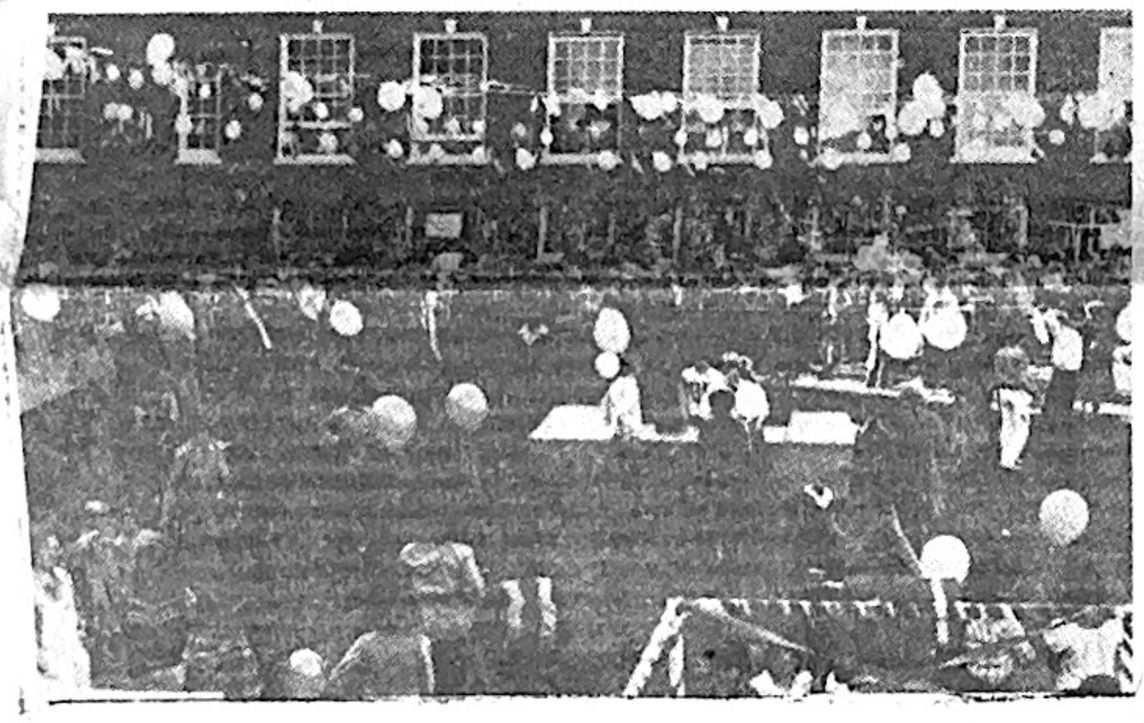
By Dan Hoffman

Apathy has been rejected! Shakerites do care and they proved it at their Homecoming weekend. Because of Yom Kippur and NEOTA day, there were only three days of school in the preceding week but there was a carnation sale to kick things off. The flowers seemed to do the trick to set the weekend off in the right mood. There was a spark of interest in the carnation sale and that spark turned into a bonfire on Friday night. Many students gathered round as the cheerleaders led the school spirit into a blaze of action. Yes, the spirits were quite high as a Shaw dummy was burned in effigy, although it appeared that some students bought their spirits. The Fire Department then drowned the affair but the madness wasn't about to end.

The Homecoming game started out with nothing less than a Homecoming parade. A caravan was seen coming towards the School. Shaker being led by the mighty Red Raider Marching Band. All the Shaker elementary schools had been invited to participate that day and the Russel H. Rupp Stadium had a capacity crowd. The tables were turned as teachers passed out apples to the kids. The band started the Pre-Game show and the only time a place could be found to sit in the stands was during the National Anthem.

The turnout was tremendous. The football team came roaring out onto the field and the fans went wild. The team didn't disappoint the crowd and destroyed Shaw, adding it to their list of victories. The Halftime show was sweet perfection and little skits were added to the songs. There was Elvis, a Sha-Na-Na type group, and a kick line full of the band's finest girls. The crowd reacted positively and the cheering throughout the game was pleasing to hear. Victory felt good and the Sophomores were a part of this victory with their enormous number and noise.

The closing event for the weekend was the Homecoming Disco. This was to be equally important, after all, a King and Queen were yet to be chosen. The Court consisted of Mancin Taylor, Junie Poindexter, Dan Hoffman, Kevin Williams and Peter Snipes for King, and Kathy Green, Vanessa Webbs, Eileen Callahan, Val Rettberg, and for Queen. Mancin Taylor and Kathy Green won the honor of being King and Queen, respectively. The dance was fantastic and packed solid. Over five-hundred people were there and a good deal of money was made. Shaker, you really know how to live it up. Homecoming was a success and YOU did it!



Carnival - A Success!

By Mike Scharf

Friday, October 20th was the date of Shaker's second annual school carnival. The planning began as early as September twenty-seventh, with the organization of a small carnival committee. The committee was in charge of making the initial plans for the carnival which included agreeing on the types of booths to be used, as well as getting the student council's participation and involvement. Booth chairmans were designated from student council, and all members were assigned to individual booths. The money for supplies, prizes, and the rented dunking-booth came from the Homecoming Carnation sale. There were 260 dollars worth of prizes, which ranged in size from the small consolation prizes, to the much larger and more expensive stuffed animals. A new policy was incorporated to this year's carnival concerning prizes. Everybody who participated at any of the various booths wound up with a prize of some kind. Therefore, in a sense, everyone was a winner.

The 30 booths at the carnival were sponsored not only by council, but also by members of the many clubs that Shaker offers to students such as the Spanish Club, Debate Club, Dance Club and TV Club, also JCWA, Interact, the Flying Club and the Shakerite had booths. The booths ranged from the Haunted House and Dunking booth, to games of all kinds. Concessions were also sold in the social room.

The actual carnival was run by over 150 students. Student Council representatives were excused the entire day and Student Council alternates and members of clubs were excused after fourth period to help set up the booths and decorations. The booths came from Shaker's basement and are available at any time to all groups in the Shaker School system wishing to use them.

The fact that this years carnival drew such a large crowd was due to an excellent publicity job run by Mark Dann. The Carnival was attended by students from each of the elementary and Jr. High Schools, along with many Shaker High students. The great number of people caused the supply of prizes to quickly diminish which was one of the carnivals biggest problems. The student council grossed 950 to 1000 dollars in profit which compared to the 80 dollars made last year is a great improvement. The profit will go into council's treasury, where it will be used for better quality dances and other council projects.

The Shaker High School annual carnival seems to be a newly started tradition that will continue for many years to come. Some plans are already being made for the 1979 school year carnival which will be held the same time next year.

Calendar of Events

Nov. 10 - End of Grading Period; School Dance 8:00 - 12:00.
Nov. 11 - Football - 2:00 H Parma.
Nov. 16 - Boys Fall Sports Awards - 6:45.
Nov. 17 - Report Cards; Choral & Instrumental Concert - 8:15.
Nov. 18 - Hockey - Parma - 5:30 H.
Nov. 20 - Girls Fall Sports Awards - 7:30.
Nov. 22 - Basketball - Warrensville - 6:45 A; School Closes.
Nov. 23 - 27 - Thanksgiving Vacation.
Nov. 25 - Hockey - Euclid - 6:30 A; Basketball - JFK - 6:30 - H.
Nov. 27 - School Open
Nov. 28 - Girl's Basketball - Cleve. Hts. - 4:00 H; Hockey - Garfield - 7:30 A.

Construction Continues

By Greg Epp

One part of the improvement which Shaker High is undergoing as a result of last year's bond issue is the replacement of thermostats, unit heaters, and valves on the heating system throughout the building. However, because first bids on the project proved unacceptable, a contract was not awarded until late July. The Johnson Service Company completed most of the work by the time school opened this September, but a few rooms were unfinished when cold weather set in. The system did not operate properly and caused some problems. This was apparent as some rooms were steamed out over one weekend. As you walk through the building, the change of temperature in the different wings is quite noticeable. Some halls were seething, some halls were freezing, and the horizontal egress (Hippie Hall) was smoking. The replacements will be completed soon, however, and temperatures should return to normal.

Mark's Mentionables

By Mark Edelman

..... As I now open up my eyes and ears to Shaker Heights High, many different items come to mind.

..... For all Shaker students - THE SHAKERITE is a student-run publication which draws both its reporters and its Editorial staff from the entire Shaker student body. Any student who shows any interest in any section of the newspaper is welcome to contribute his or her talents. All inquiries should be made to Mark Edelman or Mr. Randall in Room 100.

..... Congratulations to Student Council for a job well done on the Carnival. It is obvious that I was a little too hasty in my remarks in the last issue. Student Council obviously had its best interests in mind when it planned this lucrative and spirit-building event.

.....Special Congratulations go to George Hawkins, Kevin Williams, Susan Mellin, and Robin Mitchell for their hard efforts on the Carnival. It is mainly because of these people that it was such a success.

..... A reminder to all Shaker students who are considering taking either SATs and ACHs on December 2, that today is the last day for late registration. If you want to take the tests, you'd better have your registration postmarked by today.

..... The SHAKERITE and the GRISTMILL played softball a little while ago. The details of that game will be available at a later time.

..... The Marching Band and Choir will present a joint concert on Friday, November 17. It would be worth the while of all Shaker students to hear the band that they have watched march during the past football season, as well as the Choir, who always puts on a good show.

..... Congratulations to the Girls' Field Hockey team for their winning the Hudson Invitational Tournament. They were also ranked first in the state, and plan to attend a state-wide tournament in Dayton next week. It's about time a girl's sport got on the stick!

..... It is about time that Shaker has had a good football team. For many years now, we have let football take a back seat to the excellent Red Raider Basketball and baseball teams. Regardless of what the final outcome of the season is, football is "back" at Shaker.

..... I am glad to see that the aura of apapthy which was prevalent at Shaker during the past years is beginning to dissipate. The sophomore class is setting a good example for all Shaker students by inciting "Sophomore Spirit."

..... The Shakerite would like to bid farewell to English teacher Ben Smith who is leaving us to pursue other life goals. Today is his last day at Shaker. Good-bye, Mr. Smith!!!

..... That's all for now. If you would like to see something else besides what I see and hear, submit it in writing to "Mark's Mentionables" c/o Mark Edelman, Room 100. This is Mark Signing-off until next issue.

Point: on Student Council

By Robin Mitchell

"Only be patient till we have appeas'd
The multitude, beside themselves with fear,
And then we will deliver to the cause
Why I, that did love Caesar when I struck him,
Have thus proceeded"

-Julius Caesar
Act III, Scene I

There is little doubt in my mind that the new expanded form of Student Council is by far better than the old, having participated in last year's Council and the present edition, and since I both enjoyed the old form of Student Council but also saw its shortcomings. Are we to throw away the many advantages, which I will cover in the following, that have been gained by the enlargement of Council? Nay, say I!!

The most obvious benefit in expanding Student Council from 21 class-elected members to approximately 90 members is the opportunity for participation by more people. This benefit was manifested recently at the Carnival where numerous Council-sponsored booths produced a large profit for Council which will eventually benefit the entire school. The Carnival's success make's it appear likely that other projects will be better run than in the past.

The Shaker Student must further consider the issue of the size of Council from the point of past performance under the smaller governmental body. The Student Councils of previous years have been groups of highly intelligent and capable people, but there have been definite problems. Council was often reduced to a group of individuals who would and did quibble over anything. It was all too often merely something to throw on a college application and this often led to apathy problems within Council itself and especially the Committees of Student Council. Attendance problems resulted from members who were too deeply involved in other things to pay adequate attention to Student Council.

"But wait!", you shout, "Won't attendance be a problem even more this year. On one hand, this is possible. But it would take the absence of 70 members to eliminate the main reason for the enlargement of Council: the greater number of people involved. And since Council now has alternates and members-at-large, this event is extremely unlikely to occur. Also, for the first time members of Council are answerable to someone, their Advisory Groups.

The issue of the size of Council basically comes down to whether we want an oligarchy or a democracy. History has proven that the greater amount of democracy amounts to a better world and thus to a better school. Can you argue with history? (If you can don't tell Mr. Mohney) The reason for the change was obvious. Because of the success of the Carnival, the reason for staying with the expanded Student Council is even greater.

Counter Point

By David Hertz

This year's Student Council, which is led by school President George Hawkins, contains many highly conscientious students. These students have initiated a plan which allows each homeroom to be represented in Council by an elected representative. In this way, every student vicariously participates in all of Council's projects. The Founding Fathers would shrink back at such representation!

The main Council members have been too conscientious. They have over-organized in some respects and under-organized in others. Council wants each student to be represented in Council through his homeroom representative. This representative is supposed to take the thoughts of his electors, express them in Council, and the take Council's thoughts back to his public. However, at a Council meeting utter chaos exists such that little is accomplished at each meeting. Thus, the representatives have little to tell their fellow homeroom members. At a Council meeting people neither listen to the Council officials nor do they listen to the suggestions of their fellow representatives. In other words, there is a lack of organization at the Council meetings which prohibits the forming of an efficient student government.

This reporter believes that Council should retain the advisory group representative method; however, to organize Council further, several head representatives should be elected by the advisory group representatives. The head representatives would be put in charge of five advisory group residents, thus creating a meeting of six instead of forty or more. In these meetings, the chairmen would gather the suggestion of Shaker students from their advisory group representatives in their respective groups. The representative heads would in turn have a meeting among themselves, including the high council officials, and debate the issue given to them by the students. These meetings should be open to students for the sole purpose of listening to the meeting.

The members of Council work hard but they work on the wrong things. They should further organize their system to solidify the foundation of Shaker's student government. Everyone knows that a smaller group can operate much more efficiently than a larger one. Council needs a smaller group to work with or else this year at Shaker will be just like every other year.

Shaker Pride

By Mirriam Pickus

In light of what has been happening to other school systems, we should take stock and realize how lucky we are to be attending school in Shaker Heights. This school system is blessed with a community that backs it. The staff, teachers and administrators are excellent. And we, as students, are some of the best in the nation.

The Shaker Heights School System is integrated. The fact itself is not only advantageous, but also rare. Shaker is integrated by its own will; there was no desegregation case that forced us to become integrated. As a matter of fact, most students take for granted people of another race sharing their schools. This is not the case in most school systems, but Shaker is not like other school systems.

Shaker has shown itself to be one of the best. Our high school was ranked fifth in the nation in National Merit Scholarships and seventh in the nation in National Achievement Scholarships. Of the thousands and thousands of high schools across the United States, that speaks quite well for us. Often, just graduating from Shaker can be considered a big plus by colleges.

Part of Shaker's excellence can be attributed to the Advanced Placement courses offered here that are not common in all school systems. Through these courses it is possible to obtain a sophomore standing in college.

In Shaker we have more than academics to offer. We have, at the high school, a great variety of interscholastic sports. We have choral and instrumental music groups at all twelve schools. We have many clubs and activities ranging from the Debate Team and to the Rifle Club.

Of course, Shaker could not offer all this without the cooperation of the teachers. Without outstanding teachers, the high number of scholarship winners would not be possible. And not only are their teaching skills superior, but our teachers are also willing to put in extra time to sponsor and organize many of our activities. In addition to this, Shaker teachers seem to be a rare breed. Many school employees in other districts, are going on strike for better contracts. But, only three years ago, Shaker's teachers worked without a contract for several months while negotiations were taking place.

This is where the Shaker community plays such a large part. Last year, the Shaker public passed both a levy and a bond issue. Most people can not remember the last time a levy has not been passed here. This is because the community is so supportive of its schools that we have many of our programs. In fact, though we have so many interscholastic sports, we get a very low income from them. That means that they are partially supported by tax dollars.

During this time where national test scores are falling, levies are failing and teachers are striking, we can be proud to say that we attend school in Shaker Heights.

Letter to the Editor

This letter has been submitted to both the Shaker Left and the Shakerite.

Dear Editor,

The Student Political Awareness Committee and the Shaker Left were supposedly formed to provide an open forum for students to voice their opinions. While the members of these organizations claim to support the right of all individuals to have their own point of view, many of the members are openly hostile to anyone who dissents from their own philosophy. By taking this hypocritical stance, they have corrupted the ideals upon which their organizations are founded.

This point was vividly demonstrated on Friday, October 6 when Carl Stokes Jr. spoke to SPAC about Issue 3. While most of the audience was swayed by Stokes' appeal to emotions and his glittering generalities, there were other people who questioned specifics of the program. Although these people did not say that they did not support Issue 3, the rest of SPAC reacted as if they had. The SPAC members could not tolerate these people who had ideas conflicting with their own, and when Mr. Stokes had finished talking, they let the dissenters know that they did not approve of their contrasting viewpoint.

The Student Political Awareness Committee was formed last year to promote student interest in the political and social worlds around them. At this point in time, they are sadly floundering away from that goal. The Shaker Left was supposed to be an alternative to the Shakerite, but by taking the hypocritical stance of discouraging members of various ideologies, they have become worse than the Shakerite. However, this trend of discouraging everyone of a different dogma is not irreversible. To begin with, the Shaker Left and SPAC should recognize their shortcomings. Then, if they are sincere about trying to rout apathy from all of Shaker's students they should welcome everyone into SPAC, and they should also start printing letters, such as this one, in the Shaker Left so that everybody can see that this newspaper is not just an alternative for the "liberals" who are dissatisfied with the Shakerite but is also an alternative for all politically aware students.

Respectfully,
John Kruse
Keith Crow
Brian Cousin

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Quit While You're Ahead

By Joey Lampl

Americans these days use nothing but cliche's. In the good old days, people took the bull by the horns and said what they meant. Words are a dime a dozen, so why insist on using the overused ones? You can kill two birds with one stone by learning and applying those vocabulary words from your English class. Don't be stubborn as a mule; break away from tradition!

If you want people to meet you eye to eye, honesty is the best policy. Don't beat around the bush, bite the bullet and say what you mean. And don't be chicken to disagree or argue -- only the good die young. This is America the beautiful and you have freedom of speech. So make a little fuss -- after all, it's a dog-eat-dog world.

Let's stop this problem now before it gets out of hand. An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure. I'm sure right not the skeptics are saying, you can lead a horse to water, but you can't make him drink. On the other hand, it's not as if the solution is a needle in a haystack. True, there's no free lunch, but where there's smoke there's fire. If we take action and stand up for what we believe, we can end this cliche epidemic quick as a wink and easier than apple pie.

Mystery Of The Week

By Mike Scharf

George Smith, the owner of a large and prosperous chain of furniture stores, had just received a shipment of dining room, living room, and bedroom sets from New York. He asked his brother, Lieutenant Smith, to do him a favor by guarding the furniture in the warehouse at night, where it was to be stored for a week, during Smith Furniture's Grand Clearance Sale which George hoped would clear out most of the dining room, living room and bedroom sets already in stock, and make room for the new shipment. One night, the Lieutenant had a horrible dream, in which the warehouse full of new furniture was burned to the ground by an arsonist, and his brother George was ruined. He told George that this dream was a bad omen, and felt sure that something bad was going to happen to the warehouse. George thanked his brother, and took immediate action; He fired his brother and found someone else to watch the new shipment of furniture.

Why did George fire his brother? (The answer is at the bottom of this page)

The solution to the "Minute Mystery": Lieutenant Smith was sleeping on the job; something bad was sure to happen if George Smith kept a sleeping night watchman on the job.

Did You Know?

By Craig Beresford

Did you know -

-An ancient remedy for a toothache was to eat a mouse.

-The heaviest domestic cat on record was a 42-pound feline named Gigi.

-An otter can move quickly enough to dodge a rifle bullet. (Faster than a speeding otter?1)

-In Uruguay, duelling is legal as long as both parties are registered blood donors.

-There is a special division of the Amsterdam police whose only duty is to cope with motorists who drive into the canals.

-The garfish has green bones.

-A hippo can run faster than a man (but I'll bet he can't dodge a rifle bullet!)

-A company in Los Angeles, California, has developed birth control pills for dogs.

-The Rinconada Racetrack in Venezuela has a swimming pool for horses. (They all do the hosrepaddle.)

-The first traffic signal in the United States was installed on our own Euclid Avenue.

-In ancient Rome, a fellow named Arpocras once ate four tablecloths and a broken glass at one sitting.

-Louis XIV owned 413 beds. (That's a lot of bunk if you ask me!)

-A law in Siena, Italy forbids any woman named Mary to work as a prostitute.

-In medieval England it was customary for a person condemned to die by the axe to tip his executioner.

-The United States produces more than twice as many cars each year as babies. (Of course, the cars usually wear out faster.)

-Fingernails grow faster on the hand you favor.

-Apple pie is not American. It was first made in France before the Norman Conquests.

-It takes more calories to eat a piece of celery than the celery has in it to begin with.

-The original name of the Cleveland Indians was the Spiders. (They were especially good a catching flies.)

-Julius Caesar was an epileptic.

SHAKER AND HIGH
by MIKE LYNCH
HEY HIGH! WAIT UP!
YEAH...
WHA?
I DON'T BELIEVE YOU! YOU'VE GOTTEN STRAIGHT A'S ON EVERY CHEM TEST!
HOW DO YOU DO IT??
SIMPLE.
I WRITE THE ANSWERS ON THE INSIDE OF MY EYELIDS!

The Shakerite Staff, unsuspectingly shown ripping off a typewriter. Not shown - Joey Lample.

Your Involvement Quotient

By Susan Mellin

As a student at Shaker, is your interest in school lacking, or even, at times, nonexistent? Do you find your classes to be boring, and are there a lot of ways that you would rather spend your time, other than doing homework? Or, perhaps you don't bother to do homework? Do you dread Monday, and look forward all week to Friday? Does school seem to you in general to be dull, lifeless, and unstimulating? To a certain extent, you are a typical student; very few students take real delight in all of their classes, and I know of no one who relishes doing his homework, especially when he would rather be doing something else with his time. But, if school is really totally dull and lifeless as far as you are concerned, your attitude about it cannot always be blamed on your teachers and their curriculum; just look at the material some of them have to work with! The chances are that if you dislike or even hate school as a whole, not just one or two of your classes which, try as you might, you still find to be boring, part of the blame may lie with you. School is basically a give-and-take situation; a student will get only as much out of school as he is willing to put into it. The more attention you pay to your teachers and doing your homework, the better the education you will receive and the more involved you are in school, besides just going to your classes every day, the more you are bound to get out of it; you might even find youself liking it.

Having read thus far, think for a minute -- which type of student are you? Do you think that school is hopelessly dull, and because of this attitude, are you turned off by the idea of participating in school activities? Or, do you find that, although you may be bored by a particular class or two, school is at worst tolerable, and at best even fun, because you participate in extra-curricular activities? Generally, a student who has some stake in school, other than attending classes simply because he has to, because he is involved in some sort of activity, such as an interscholastic sport, student or class council, drama, music, art, the school newspaper, the yearbook, or any number of the various clubs and extracurricular activities which Shaker has to offer, gets a lot more personal satisfaction out of school than a student who does not participate in any school-related activities. What type of student are you? Take your IQ (Involvement Quotient)

Are you involved in an interscholastic sport as a player or a manager? Give yourself one point for each sport in which you are involved.

Do you attend the games, matches, or meets of any of Shaker's sports teams regularly? Give yourself one point.

Do you participate in band or choir? Give yourself one point.

Do you attend choral concerts or band concerts? One point.

Are you a member of Student Council, or Sophomore, Junior or Senior class council? Give yourself one point for each.

Do you attend dances held by any of these organizations? One point.

Are you on Gristmill or Shakerite? One point for each.

Do you participate in intramural sports? One point.

Do you belong to any club(s)? Give yourself one point for each club of which you are a member.

Have you ever been in, or worked on, a school play? One point for each.

Do you attend school plays? One point.

Do you feel that you get more out of school because you are involved in any of the above activities?

If your point total is ....

0 - It's no wonder you don't like school.

1-3 You've made a good start, but don't stop there.

4-10 You're becoming very well rounded.

11 plus - You're very involved.

the AMAZING COCKROACH-MAN

BITTEN BY A MUTANT COCKROACH FROM THE PLANET ZEAPST, DISHWASHER RALSTON RITTER GAINED THE PROPORTIONAL POWERS OF THAT INSECT.

BYE AUNT PURITY I'M OFF TO WORK NOW! I LEFT A LITTLE SOMETHING IN THE COOKIE JAR TO HELP TILL YOUR CHECK COMES IN!

OH RALSTON, YOU'RE SO SWEET!

SIGH!.. IF SHE ONLY KNEW!

RITTER

COMMING TO BINGO PURITY?!

JUST A MINUTE PRUDENCE!

IF HE ONLY KNEW!

MEANWHILE; ON THE JOB OUR HERO SENSES TROUBLE!

MY ROACH SENSE IS TINGLING! THERE'S DANGER ABOUT!

HAROLD! WHAT ARE THOSE LINES AROUND THAT KID'S HEAD?

I THINK THEY MEAN HE'S THINKING!

CRASH

...THE REFRIGERATOR CORD! ...AGAIN!

RITTER! YOU DOO-DOO HEAD! YOU'RE FIRED FOR THE FOURTH TIME THIS WEEK! NOW GO SIT IN THE CORNER!

THEN WHAT'S AROUND THAT GUY'S HEAD?

ZZT

BUZZ

BOBBY, HOW COME YOU, THE ONLY INTELLIGENT, NATURE MAN IN THIS STRIP, ARE WORKING IN THIS DUMP FOR A MANIAC LIKE JIMSON?

DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEA WHAT CHANNEL 5 NEWS PAYS?

BY THE WAY, TELL COCKROACH-MAN THAT THE ZOMBIE GANG LED BY BIG-HEAD-BERNARD AND NICK-THE-NOSTRIL, IS THREATENING TO CONVENTIONALIZE THE WORLD IN 12 HOURS!

HOW COME THERE'S AN EXCLAMATION POINT AT THE END OF EVERY SENTANCE IN THIS STRIP?!

JEEPERS! ANOTHER EVIL PLOT UNFOLDING! THANKS FOR THE— I MEAN COCKROACH-MAN THANKS YOU FOR THE TIP!

PING

INTO THIS LOCKER ENTERS MILD MANNED RALSTON RITTER!

BUT FROM IT EMERGES THAT SCOURGE OF CRIME AND CORRUPTION,

BAM!

COCK-ROACH-MAN!

IS THAT A REAL PONCHO OR IS THAT A SEARS PONCHO?

KRAC!

PLEASE STAND BY

BOSS!... SOMEBODY KILLED COCKROACH-MAN AND WE'RE NOT EVEN HALF-WAY THROUGH THE CENTERFOLD YET!

DON'T WORRY SMEDLEY, HE'S INSURED!

WOW BOSS, YOU SURE THINK OF EVERY-THING!

...LOVE GUN, LOVE GUN...

NOW BE A GOOD BOY SMEDLEY AND RUN A COMMERCIAL WHILE I SOLVE THE PROBLEM

BLAST!

ROOB

WOW!

POW!

SCREECH!

GROAN

DICK

NOOB

NOW! ALL THE TASTELESS NAUSEA OF KISS® TM *ECT CAN BE YOURS!

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DROOL

GIMME

YES, FRIENDS! CAPTURED IN B.43 WORTH OF SURPLUS ELECTRONICS SELLING FOR ONLY $9.99 (PLUS TAX) IN THIS SPECIAL LIMITED TV OFFER! BUY NOW AND RECIEVE ABSOLUTLEY FREE! MEMBERSHIP IN THE KISS ARMY!

OR ELSE!

BAM!

MEANWHILE: 11 HOURS LATER AND TIME IS RUNNING OUT!

TERMITE-MAN TO THE RESCUE!

WHOOSH

TERMITE MAN?

...LEAPING FROM BUILDING TO BUILDING...

HE WAS THE ONLY SUPER-HERO AVAILABLE FOR $2.15 per HOUR.

...LURKING THE SEWERS!

DOWN-WIND, BOY!

...BRAVING THE BURNING SANDS...

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BIORHYTEMS

By Ellen Hersch

Have you ever had a bad day and you did not know why? Were you ever unable to get along with a certain person? Or have you ever felt you were in a slump for no apparent reason? What is the reason for these occasions? I may have the answer ... BIORYTHMS.

I had heard it mentioned a few times before, but I never knew specifically what they were. When I saw the book Bioryhthm Compatibility, by Mort Gale, staring at me in a bookstore, I had to pick it up. I have learned a great deal about this science. I would like to tell you some of its basics.

Biorhythms were discovered over eighty years ago by two European doctors. Biorhythms consist of four independent cycles known as physical, emotional, mental and intuitional. These cycles last twenty-three, twenty-eight, thirty-three, and thirty-eight days, respectively. With a little practice and the correct reference charts you can plot your own biorhythm cycles and moods.

There are active and passive phases and two critical days in each cycle of each biorhythm. When these are mixed you must decipher their meaning and "read" the possibilities of your moods. If you are the curious type, you may want to browse through the book and find out how to plot your own biorhythms. It may give you a better understanding of yourself, or it may just satisfy your curiousity. For example: In plotting a mood cycle chart for one month I found that this week my energies will fall rapidly to a bottom plateau that will last for one week. This is not predicting a crisis, just low energies, possible 2nd rate performance, and undesirable moods.

If you have any questions concerning bioryhthms or you want them plotted for a certain day, write to me, c/o Ellen Hersch, The Shakerite, room 100.

Opportunities for You!

By Liz Jennison

In recent years, there has been much criticism of Shaker students because of their lack of involvement in school-sponsored activities. Many students have countered this criticism by asking, "If I'm not interested in a popular club like Debate or Drama, what does Shaker have for me?" As this student obviously was unaware of many of the less publicized clubs at Shaker, The Shakerite presents to him and all other uninformed students, "A Reader's Guide to Clubs at Shaker."

The Chess Club, under the leadership of Fred Brown, meets Friday afternoons in Room 201. Mr. Brown emphasized that students who have no previous experience in playing chess are as welcome in the club as those who already play. The better players from the club will become members of the Chess Team which competes against other schools in the area. The trophies in Room 201 are from the Chess Teams of previous years and are evidence that although the Chess Club is one of the least known clubs at Shaker, it has not been unsuccessful in past competition. Attendance at the Friday afternoon meetings is not mandatory for participation on the Chess Team.

The Backgammon Club is being reorganized this year after the departure of Miss Dorothy Lungmus, the club's sponsor in previous years. The new sponsor is Mrs. Barbara Arsham. Although the club had a booth at the recent carnival, it has not been granted a charter by Student Council. At this time, Backgammon Club members are in the process of writing a constitution so that they can get the required charter. Meetings are planned for Thursday, eighth period and after school, in Room 217. Tournaments will be held between the players within the club, and Mrs. Arsham is hoping to arrange competition with backgammon clubs from other schools.

The Flying Club at Shaker is sponsored by Mr. Goodman. Meetings are generally held twice a month, and will be announced. These meetings generally are used to explain basic principles of flight. In addition to after school meetings, the club also takes field trips. A recent trip was to a Radar Control Station at Oberlin, where Flying Club members were able to see equipment used to control air traffic between Chicago and Pittsburgh.

Further information concerning any club at Shaker may be obtained by contacting the sponsors of the clubs or other club members. Don't be afraid to get involved in something you haven't tried before. It will give you a chance to make new friends while enjoying new experiences.

Nuclear Deposits

By Carolyn Warne

Ohio is one of the states which is being considered as a site for the disposal of nuclear waste. The Salina basin Salt Beds which underlie a large area of eastern Ohio, have been proposed as one of the dumping grounds where these wastes would be placed. The Salina basin area encompasses twenty-three counties of the state, including Cuyahoga County.

When encased in salt, nuclear waste is supposedly not dangerous. West Germany first dumped its nuclear waste 2625 feet deep into a salt mine in Lower Saxony; the drums of waste were covered with salt. Salt seems able to contain the alleged 480 degree (Farenheit) heat of radioactive waste. However, according to a Kansas Geographical Survey, the cylinders of radioactive waste reach temperatures of 1706 degrees (Farenheit). Heat of that intensity could crack the salt beds and let in water. If water circulated with the waste, it would become contaminated, and it could pollute the supply of drinking water.

There are many chemicals in nuclear waste that attack various areas of the body such as the lungs, liver, skin, bones, and the kidneys. It can cause birth defects, mutations, and miscarriages in the first generation after exposure to these chemicals. Since nuclear waste is toxic and harmful to humans and the environment, the storage of such waste in any salt mine anywhere, and especially in one near areas with large populations such as Cleveland has, would be dangerous and foolish.

Fear of Fobia

By Vanessa Webbs

Have you ever seriously thought about your fears or those of others? There may be some people who maintain that "There is nothing to fear but fear itself", but judging from this poll taken of some of your classmates, most of them are afraid of a good deal more than fear itself. What are you afraid of?

1. The dark
2. Death
3. Failure
4. Rejection from colleges
5. Fire in the home
6. Airplanes
7. Heights
8. Falling
9. Getting shot by a gun
10. A painful death
11. Never being loved by anyone
12. Being alone
13. Getting old
14. Not knowing what is in sotre for the future
15. Losing someone very close
16. Loss of identity
17. Living in an environment in which beauty was hard to find
18. *Not becoming as successful as I think I will be*
19. Too much pain
20. Losing family
21. Gays
22. Afraid of being abducted
23. Afraid of a tragedy occurring in my life.

RECORD RAP

By Dan Gold

Hello children! Lots of new vinyl on the streets. The record company moguls want your bucks! Columbia Records has a number of new releases: Santana gives us **Inner Secrets**, an album that features very little of the pseudo-Latin flavor once associated with the band. Inner Secrets is a mixture of rock and funk with a conga thrown in here and there to appease their old fans ... Billy Joel has released **52nd St.** I'm not a Billy Joel fan, but I'm impressed with this album. The rockers are bright and the ballads come off nicely. **The Stranger** was destroyed by radio overkill. I like the new albun but we're all going to be pretty sick of "My Life" after two hundred airings on ZIP-106, (or 50 on MMS) ... Guitar-God Ted Nugent has released a rather typical album, **Weekend Warriors**. This is cliche-rock; two of the tunes on the album employ the same riff as "Cat Scratch Fever." The guitar playing isn't even that hot. If you're into guitar, why not check out THE MASTER: Warner Brothers has released a Jimi Hendrix double album anthology entitled **The Essential Jimi Hendrix.** Or why not build your collection on the originals? **Are You Experienced?, Electric Ladyland,** and **Cry of Love** are three of Hendrix' best ... C.B.S. is also pushing the debut disc from Toto. MMS is already caught in the hype, playing "Hold the Line" from the album. The rest of the album is similar to that tune, pop-rock, very ordinary music, (the type of thing you'd like to have piddling away in the background while you're washing your car)... **Mr. Gone** is the new album by Weather Report, and the best wax Columbia has to offer this month. Weather Report's sound is unique. Latin, jazz, rock, R & B, and avant garde are all elements in their music. The album is synthesizer oriented, but Josef Zawinul's playing is warm and inspired unlike many rock keyboardists ... Also out on Columbia is a solo album by Pink Floyd keyboard man Richard Wright. The outstanding aspect of **Wet Dream** is the sax work of Mel Collins. I don't care for Wright's voice and I think most of the tunes are weak compositionally. There's not a whole lot happening here ... Steve Martin has released his second comedy album, **A Wild and Crazy Guy**. As you might assume from the title, much of the material is old, and stale. Some of the new bits are mildly humorous, but you won't like them as much as the audience on the record does ... Finally, Columbia gives us the debut waxing by Flint, featuring former Grand Funk drummer/lead singer Don Brewer. The album sounds like a cross between Grand Funk and disco. Frank Zappa, who used to produce G.F., is credited as guitarist on two cuts, but you can't hear him; he's buried in the mix ...

From M.C.A. Records come one new release, **Grab It For A Second** by the Dutch band Golden Earing. The music here is straight-ahead rock and roll, certainly nothing outstanding ...

A.B.C. Records has a whole batch of new releases: Levon Helm, former drummer/lead vocalist for The Band has released a self-titled solo disc. The music is in the best tradition of The Band, funky and folky, and it rocks too. It is reminiscent of some of their later material. ("Life Is a Carnival") ... A.B.C. has also released, of all things, a double-live album by Jimmy Buffett. I mean is there really a market for this? On side 4 Buffett says, "The party's not over yet!" and no one cheers ... We also have a solo album from Crusaders' saxaphonist/bassist Wilton Felder, **We All Have A Star**. The music is cliche ridden disco-fusion. Felder plays a few nice tenor lines, but they are lost in the strings, vocals, horns, etc ... Some executive at A.B.C. who probably wears polyester suits, frequents single's bars, and reads **Circus** magazine forgot to include "Welcome to the Club" on Joe Walsh's newly released **Best of** album ... It was probably the same guy who compiled **Steely Dan's Greatest Hits** and left off "Deacon Blues," "Everyone's Gone to the Movies," and "Green Earring." Instead of paying for an inadequate anthology, why not pick up on the originals? **Katy Lied** and **The Royal Scam** are 70s classics ... John Klemmer has released an ambitious solo saxaphone album, **Cry**. The music is all improvised. All the tunes are originals except the Thelonius Monk classic "Round Midnight." Klemmer is technically magnificent in spots, but at other times he just plays fast scales through an exhoplex, drowning the listener in layer upon layer of sound, (kinda like quicksand) ... Finally from A.B.C. we have the debut waxing from Arlyn Gale, **Back to the Midwest Night**. Gale is a product of the A.B.C. promo department, who wants to cash in on the commercial success of Bruce Springsteen. Gale sings and writes like Springsteen, and there is a little disco thrown in to insure saleability. The combination could give you indigestion...

Ah yes, and now it is time to look at the new releases from Warner Brothers, the biggest of them all. On W.B.'s Atlantic subsidiary we have **Vis-a-vis**, the new record from Fotomaker, the band that features former Raspberries guitarist Wally Bryson. Most of the music here is three chord rock, like early Beatles. There's also an occassional ballad thrown in to sappen things up -- overall a totally inocuous album that won't offend ayone ... To make up for Fotomaker, W.B. gives us The Album of the Month: the triumphant return to vinyl by Captain Beefheart and The Magic Band. **Shiny Beast** marks Beefheart's first appearance in three years. Most of you have probably never heard of him. You think I'm just making him up. Well I'm not, he's real, (sort of). Anyway, **Shiny Beast** is a brilliant album. It is a bizzare mixture of rock and blues, with constantly changing meter and mind-provoking instrumentation. Beefheart must be heard! ... The Sleeper of the Month also comes from Warner Brothers in the form of **Wizard** by Matrix. Matrix play very original jazz-rock, with trumpet, fluglehorn, and trombone up front. This is a very tight band and they make some beautiful sounds, check it out! ... Another very fine album comes by way of W.B.'s Asylum subsidiary, Tom Waits' **Blue Valentine**. Tom Waits is everything Bruce Springsteen tries to be but isn't -- a true street person and a brilliant lyricist. **Blue Valentine** is Waits at his best, raunchy, swinging, and expressive ... Three of this month's worst also come from W.B. via their Electra label. Patrice Rushen's **Patrice**, Lenny White's **Streamline**, and Donald Byrd's **Thank You for F.U.M.L.** are all examples of what can happen to fine jazz musicians who sell out. In the case of the former two it is especially surprising because they were once true jazz madernists. And twenty years ago Byrd was making be-bop albums with Paul Chambers and Elvin Jones ... Last of all this month is the first solo album by Rufus lead vocalist Chaka Kahn. **Chaka** features guest appearances by the Brecker Brothers, Dave Sanborn and the members of the Average White Band, but Kahn is really the featured artist. Her singing is splendid, and the album is perhaps just a cut below Rufus' best material.

Well that ought to hold you for now. See you next ish.

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Berea Decides Raider's Fate in L.E.L.

By Marc Dann

The Red Raider Football team's hopes for their first Lake Erie League championship in 13 years were dimmed October 27 by a 7-0 setback at the hands of the Berea Braves. Prior to the clash of the LEL undefeated at Finnie Stadium in Berea, the Raiders stood at 4-0 in league play and boasted a 6-1 record overall. The football team stands second in the L.E.L. tied with Normandy and Valley Forge and their hopes for a share of the league championship rest on the possibility of a combination of a Berea loss in the last two weeks of the season and Red Raider victories in both of the final two contests.

The game was decided on a spectacular catch by Berea's junior end Judd Groza with 6:51 remaining in the second period. The ball, poorly thrown by senior Scott Berry, was tipped by Shaker defenders Mark Bickerstaff, and Jimmy Alexander into the hands of Groza in the end zone. Following the touchdown, Groza, son of former Cleveland Browns great Lou Groza, booted the extra point which ended the scoring for the evening.

The Red Raiders ended up on the losing end of most of the statistics although the game was poorly played by both squads. The Shaker offense could only put together a total of 130 yards to Berea's 230. Shaker's rushing attack was held to only 77 yards. The Braves were able to contain league leading rusher David English to only 57 yards his worst performance thus far. The Shaker passing game showed some promise, relying on the arm of junior quarterback Bobby Williams Shaker tallied 53 yards through the air and Williams hit on 58% of his attempts. The Braves ate up 165 yards on the ground, 92 of those gained by junior halfback Jack Berry. Berry's quarterback brother Scott threw for 65 yards with a 32% average.

The Berea scoring drive began on Berea's own 21-yard line and ate up 7 minutes and 34 seconds of the clock.

The Shaker Defense which held tough throughout the game was highlighted by an interception in the third period by senior Mark Bickerstaff in the Berea end zone which saved a second touchdown and kept Shaker in the game down to the end. A second period interception was credited to senior linebacker Marvin Ivey. Senior Middle Guard Gary Jackson was awesome in the first three periods of play grabbing a team leading eight solo tackles and adding five assists. During the fourth period Jackson was removed from the field and taken to Southwest General Hospital for x-rays of a neck injury. The x-rays proved negative and Jackson was released after treatment for a bruise later Friday evening.

Berea head coach Tom Madzy said after the game that his defense, "Did not key Shaker Halfback English during the game." Madzy as well as Shaker Coach Al Raymond commented on the effectiveness of Berea's 4-4 stunting defense which called for different linebacker blitzes each play. The Berea Coach said that the stunts threw the Red Raiders line off balance in the first half but the Shaker linemen adjusted and caused them to give up the stunts in the second half.

Raymond who was considerable concerned about the condition of Jackson following the game commented, "It wasn't a very exciting game. Both teams played poorly." Raymond also made clear that Shaker was by no means out of the race for the LEL Crown. Madzy looked ahead to the upcoming meeting with Parma for his Berea Braves to guarantee for themselves at least a share of the title.

The Raiders finished their 1978 schedule at home against the Normandy Invaders and finally the Parma Redmen. Berea faces Parma in Parma, followed by intracity rival Midpark at Finnie Stadium. Should Shaker come up with victories over both Normandy and Parma, Midpark could play a spoiler role by defeating the Braves in the final game of the season and giving Shaker a share of the title.

The punting of Junior Mike Berg was also an asset to the Raiders in keeping the game close. Berg was called upon six times and booted for a total of 240 yards for a 40-yard average.

Other highlights of the Berea game included the appearance of the Shaker Red Raider Marching Band who performed well at halftime despite the pressure of last minute show changes. Shaker Student Council and the Athletic Department also took part in transporting over 100 loud fans by bus to Berea for the game.

English now has 856 yards on the season which includes 83 gained against rival Cleveland Heights in Shaker's 10-8 victory, October 21. Berg's 33-yard field goal in the fourth period proved to be the deciding factor in the victory which set up the meeting in Berea.

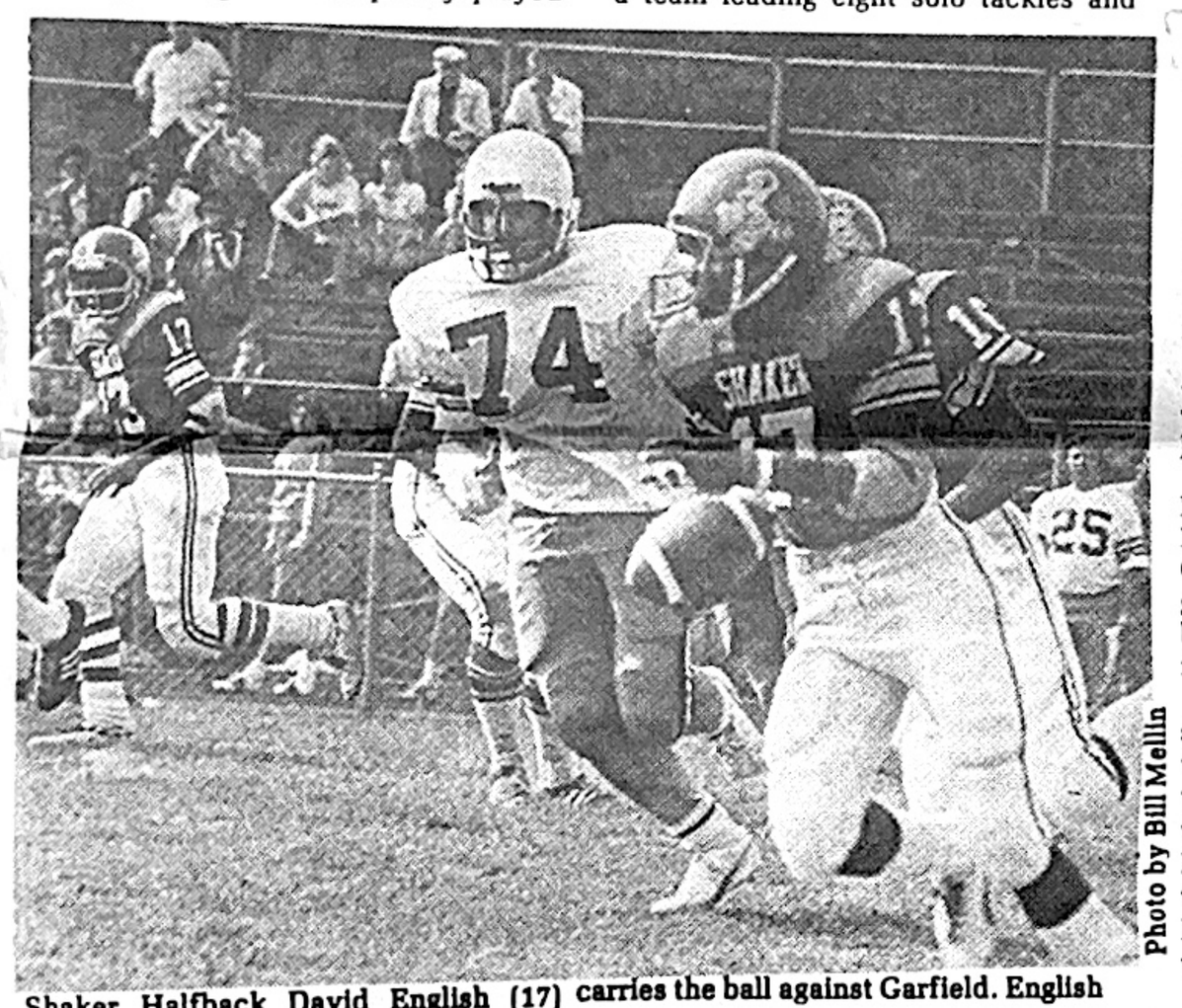


Photo by Bill Mellin

Shaker Halfback David English (17) carries the ball against Garfield. English has run for 856 yards in eight games to lead the Lake Erie League. Looking on is number 13, Terry Thomas.

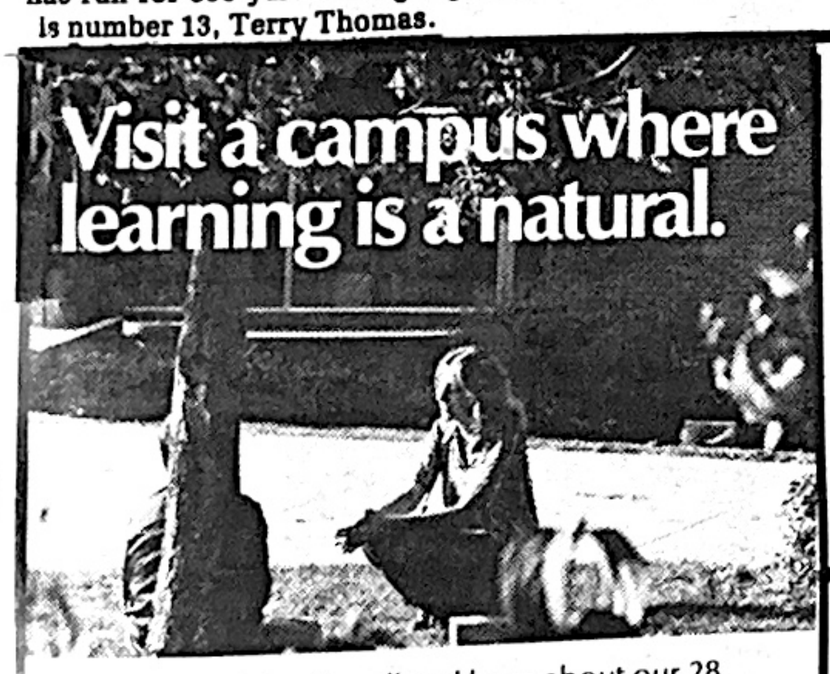
Spikers Finish Regular Season at 15-4

Shaker's girls volleyball team, which has just finished its regular season with a victory against Valley Forge, (15-4, 15-5) is presently heading into the State Sectional tournament, coming off a 10-3 regular season record. Shakers first round game in the tournament is against Beaumont, and then Glennville, which will take place November fouth. The winner will play the winner of the Jane Adams-Kennedy game.

The girls have beaten such teams as Lakewood, Garfield, Shaw, Kentston, Bomant, Midpark, Wickliffe, and Cleveland Hts., which was the big game of the year. They have only been beaten by three teams, who are Normandy, Berea and Parma.

The varsity team has 28 players, and so far, five players from this years teams, who are currently juniors, plan to return to play next year. They practice 3:45 to 5:30 every day in the Girls' North gym. They are a very dedicated team according to Head Coach Miss Burkett. She said, "I am very pleased with this years team. They are a very dedicated group of girls and I am looking forward to doing well in the State Tournament." She says as a coach she is interested in her group working as a team, because volleyball is a team sport. She also emphasized that in volleyball there is no other star and that a victory can't be made without the effort of the whole team. She likes to see them improve their skills over the course of the season, so that it is also a learning experience as well as just playing.

The Shakerite would like to congratulate the Girls' Volleyball team for a fine year. It would also like to say goodby to the four dedicated seniors, Ava Sanford, Paula Hooper, Heidy Letzer, and Patty Colley. Although one star cannot be separated from the achievements of the whole group, Ava Sanford, who was the MVP last year, has currently finished her third year on the girls' volleyball team, and if any credit for dedication is to be given, it should be given to her. Good luck, girls, in the tournament.



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Jerry Masteller: Profile of an Athletic Director

By Philip Goldman

Throughout the year, THE SHAKERITE will feature interviews and profiles of various members of the athletic faculty. The first in this series is an interview with Jerry Masteller, who has served as Shaker athletic director since 1970.

Q. Are you satisfied with the results of last year's sports program?

A. Results can be interpreted several ways. It may mean what the results were as far as win-loss is concerned, or it could mean the development of players and how they progressed through the year. Or it could mean how our program compares to other programs in the area and other schools with our stature.

Q. In terms of winning and losing were you satisfied?

A. We finished second again in the final standings for the Principal's Cup, for the third year in a row. When you consider the schools that are in the Lake Erie League and the kinds of sports programs that they offer, and the fact that we've finished in second place for three years in a row, we would have to be satisfied with our overall sports program. We would always like to finish first, but that is not always possible, of course.

Q. What is involved in the Principal's Cup competition?

A. The Principal's Cup is the trophy given to the school in the Lake Erie League which has accumulated the most number of points throughout the school year. Some sports are sponsored by the Lake Erie League and some are not. So any sport which is recognized by the LEL is included. There are points awarded for first place, second place and all the way down to the ninth-place team. According to your finish in this Lake Erie League sports, you are given a certain number of points, and at the end of the school year, the school with the longest number of points is declared the winner of the Principal's Cup, or you might say the winner of the All-Sports Trophy.

Q. Did you foresee an improved year in terms of win-loss for Shaker this year?

A. There are some sport teams we are hoping to have improvement out of this year. Our wrestling team must improve with the number of seniors coming back this year, who were juniors gaining experience last year. We look for them to do better in the Lake Erie League this season. With the football team doing much better than they did last year, I would say that I am quite satisfied with the results of our fall program, and I am really anticipating quite a good winter season with hockey having a number of seniors, basketball having a number of returning lettermen, wrestling looking stronger, and swimming always being representative.

Q. Could this then be the year in which Shaker wins the Principal's Cup?

A. I don't like to make predictions. I would have to say that based on our present position in the fall sports, and what I perceive as an outstanding winter sports season, this perhaps could be one of the years in which we move from second place to first place. Our football team is doing very well. Last year they finished last, so that in itself is a big plus. With our fall sports, including golf, which won the Lake Erie League and was therefore a very big bonus, and of course with basketball and hockey, we look forward to great things from them, it looks like we could go into the spring of the year very near the top in the point standings. We think that our baseball and track teams will do quite well, and our tennis team should do well again, so it looks like a very promising year. It is also important that the girls' teams do well also, because obviously whether it be a girls' or boys' team that finishes near the bottom of a sport, this does affect the standings for the Lake Erie League's Principal's Cup.

Q. Does the sports program at Shaker encourage development in not only athletics, and if so, how does it accomplish this?

A. I think no matter what school, whether it be at Shaker or any school, our sports program is designed for helping kids, and particularly at Shaker where our coaches are not in the position of having their jobs placed on the line because of their win-loss record, that we can even emphasize more the values of athletics. Our coaches feel a little more freedom to see that things are being done to assure that the students are getting what athletics are all about. The emphasis is on participation and the values that kids get from athletics, and that Shaker sets a good model for other schools. I am very happy that our coaches are not under the public criticism, the public pressure to win or else.

Q. I find Shaker unique in that all our coaches also serve as teachers. Why do you think Shaker has adopted this policy and do you feel that it is necessarily a good one?

A. It is something that has been a tradition at Shaker for many, many years. It is not something that is unique with the present coaching staff that we have. All of our coaches are obviously hired as teachers first, and the sports program is placed in the perspective of the overall educational program. Our coaches literally are teachers, and when they get on the athletic field they are simply dealing with the athletes as they would in the classroom in a teaching situation. The pressures of winning and losing again we are not as they are in some other schools, which permits our coaches to continue to stay on an even keel and to deal with athletes as students.

Q. What are the functions of an athletic director at Shaker?

A. The word director really I think is quite appropriate in that I do not really get involved in the actual coaching aspect of each sport. I have an outline of duties that is set down by the Board of Education in terms of what my job responsibilities are. In general I am involved in the financial aspect of the program in that I am involved with seeing that all the equipment is purchased for all of the sport teams. I am responsible for the fund raising drives to see that we are getting enough money to run our program. I am involved with the ticket sales and the promotional aspect of selling tickets for all of our home and away games. In general, I am responsible for the expenditures and income that are connected with the athletic program. I am responsible for the scheduling of all athletic events for the boys' program. I am responsible for representing our school in the Lake Erie League, our soccer league, our tennis league, and other hockey league. My major responsibility is seeing that all the minute details that are necessary to put on an athletic event are taken care of, from the standpoint of equipment, standpoint of tickets, standpoint of finances, facilities, and the preparation of these facilities for athletic events. So it is really quite involved in terms of all the specific things that are necessary to be taken care of. It is a detail job which requires that everything be taken care of so that an athletic event can be run smoothly.

Q. As athletic director, how do you determine the distribution of funds for the various teams?

A. All money that is raised, whether it be by ticket sales or by fund-raising drives, goes into the general athletic department fund. From there, our coaches design what they need to operate their particular program and we then set up a budget. Quite obviously, teams that require much more in the way of equipment, in the way of uniforms, etc., certainly need more money to be able to function compared to a team that needs relatively little equipment. A sport like football which requires approximately 200 dollars just to uniform one player would get a great deal more money than, let's say, a basketball team that requires just practically a game uniform consisting of a jersey, a pair of pants, and a warm-up suit. Certainly, a sport like golf or cross country which has relatively little in the way of equipment needs, would get far less than what some of the other sports would. It is based on the matter of what is required to field a particular team.

Q. Financially, how does the sports program at Shaker stand?

A. I believe if you were to check with any school, whether it be in the Cleveland area or anywhere in the state, there are very few schools that are able to generate enough income from ticket sales and gate receipts to support their program. Programs have grown so much lately, particularly with the addition of a number of girls' sports teams which don't generally derive a great deal of income, that sports programs, sports departments have had to look for ways of getting more income. Fortunately at Shaker Heights High School, our Board of Education recognizes the value of athletics and wants to maintain a very high level in our sports program. They do not choose to cut back to make ends meet. So the Board of Education does, within the framework of what they are allowed, help to support the athletic program at the high school.

Q. A common complaint heard from many of Shaker's athletes is that some of the facilities, such as the pool, soccer field, and baseball diamond, are inadequate. In the near future, will there be any rebuilding or replacement of these facilities?

A. We have obvisouly discussed a number of our facility problems with our principal, Mr. Murphy, and with the superintendent, Dr. Taylor. They are very much aware of what is necessary in order for our athletic program to be improved. We have been given assurance by Dr. Taylor that improvements will be made. We have not been given any particular time-line on this, but as I have said, he is aware of what our needs are. Because of the budget situation it will be a matter of time as to when some of these things perhaps can be improved. He is very much aware of the gymnasium facility and the nature of it, and he is aware of the soccer situation which we are going to improve through a bond issue that was passed a couple of years ago. I am not certain of the swimming situation, since we do have two newer pools in the district, whether or not the Board of Education could justify having a new pool built at the high school which would be primarily designed for extra-curricular or interscholastic activities. They may think that our pool is adequate for the instruction of swimming in our physical instruction program, and if that is the case, they would not be interested in pursuing a new pool as such.

Madorkoph Evaluates Browns

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The Cleveland Browns' record at the halfway point in this 1978-1979 football season is what most people expected it to be, four wins and no losses. The manner in which the Browns obtained their record is what has surprised most of the Browns' supporters. After easily winning the home opener against San Francisco, the Browns managed to edge Cincinnati in overtime on a Don Cockroft field goal. The Browns then compiled an impressive 3-0 record with a victory over Atlanta, in Atlanta.

It was at this point of the season that the Browns' fans began to consider the playoffs and a possible Super Bowl appearance. The only people to stand in the way of the Browns' march to the playoffs at this point were the men in the striped shirts who blow the whistles. After a hard-fought four quarters with Pittsburgh, without the injured Gregg Pruitt, the score was tied and overtime had to be played. The Browns lost the coin toss and kicked off to the Steelers. Larry Anderson of the Steelers received the kick and began to run up field, when he stumbled and fell to the artificial turf. He got up off the ground and started to run again, but he fumbled the ball and the Browns seemed to recover it. But the officials claimed that Anderson was touched by a Browns player and therefore, the ball was dead. This allowed Pittsburgh eventually to score on the flea-flicker play and win the game.

The Browns, feeling that they won the game with the Steelers, returned home to lose again the the Houston Oilers. In need of a victory, the Browns traveled to the Superdome in New Orleans and just barely defeated the Saints. The Browns then faced Pittsburgh again in a rematch with 83,000 people at the Stadium. The only fans to go home happy were the 15,000 fans who traveled from Pittsburgh to see their Steelers destroy the Browns. Again in need of a win the Browns faced Kansas City, and had no offense in another loss to the Chiefs.

The problem with this Browns team, like those in the recent past, is the lack of offense. Although Gregg Pruitt is a premier running back, Cleveland should not depend solely on his running. In the game against the Chiefs, his first start after his injury, Pruitt was very ineffective. This ineffectiveness is because every team keys on Pruitt due to the Browns' overdependence on his running and pass-catching. During Pruitt's absence, the Browns acquired Calvin Hill. When Pruitt returned, Hill was used only sparingly, although he did a superb job while Pruitt was out. What the Browns should do is to put both Hill or Mike Fruit and Greg Pruitt in the backfield, and take out Cleo Miller. Quarterback Brian Sipe should also pass to the wide receivers and the tight end Ozzie Newsome. In order for the Browns to win any of their remaining games, Coach Rutigliano will have to have a more imaginative game plan to provide the scoring they desperately need.

J.V. Sports

By Jeff Orloff

The girls' junior varisty field hockey team recently finished a successful season. The girls showed outstanding character throughout the year, as they compiled a 5-2-2 record.

Miss Mary Ellen Leuty, head coach of the team, feels that the girls have had a terrific year. She emphasized that the girls played as a team and not as individuals.

This year's squad played nine games, scoring 13 goals and only allowing three into their own nets. The girls lost to Western Reserve Academy 2-1, and to Hudson, 1-0. Scoreless games against Kent and Hathoway Brown produced two ties. Victories for the team included a 3-0 win over Woodridge, a 2-0 victory over Laurel, a 3-0 win over Madison, a close 1-0 victory over Kirtland and a 3-0 win or arch-rival Cleveland Heights.

Top scorers for the Raiders were Jan Wiliams with four goals, Peggy Netherton with three goals, Leslie Foelich, Pat Ruggie, and Marie Service with two goals apiece.

The team, made up of mostly sophomores and juniors, with only a couple of seniors, showed great defensive power throughout the season. Miss Leuty states that many of the girls on the JV squad attended field hockey camp in Michigan this summer to improve their game. She further states that the girls coming out of Byron and Woodbury are much better players than they used to be. She attributes this improvement in player quality to the fact that now there is a schedule for these junior high teams.

Miss Leuty states that she really enjoyed coaching this spirited junior varsity field hockey team, and that this year's squad was one of the best she has yet to coach.

Junior Varsity Golf

As a sport, golf at Shaker is not one of the most heated athletic activities; yet, it is one of the best contenders. The junior varsity golf team certainly is no exception. This year's junior varsity squad, which played its matches at Shaker Country Club, finished with a 11-4 record.

There were only five players on this year's team. They were: Captain John Satola, who also lettered; Jim Lochner, Roger Brook; Andy Shulman and Michael Slond.

Gar Aikins, coach of both the varisty and junior varsity squads for the past seven years, said that he tries to get everyone in at least one varsity match, to give each player experience. He also said that he mainly helps the golfers by analyzing the course and, as such, does not really work on their individual games.

To make the golf team, you have to play ten qualifying rounds of nine holes each.

Junior Varsity Football

This years junior varsity football team was a surprise. Thus far, the team has a 6-1-1 record overall, and is 5-0 in the Lake Erie League. The team, consisting of only tenth graders, has shown great teamwork throughout the season, and especially in its 11-7 victory against previously unbeaten Berea.

Carter Strang, fourth-year coach, felt that the team showed great depth throughout the season. He also commented that the team has no real hero. He stated, "No one person dominated ... The whole team showed great togetherness."

The biggest game of the season was the 12-7 victory over Berea. Berea had been undefeated in its last 32 contests, and did not bend easily. The Raiders came through by marching 75 yards in the last five minutes to win. A highlight of the game was Stuart Liberman's 75 yard punt.

When asked whether anybody improved, Coach Strang said that all players had improved, but that Kent Whitley showed special maturity towards the end of the season as quarterback.

Mr. Strang emphasized that the season was quite a surprise because, in the beginning of the season, there were so few players that tried out for the team.